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OVER THE POND

Bismarck Apparently Not Pleased
With the Action of His Consuls
in the Samoan Affair.

No Warships Ordered to the Islands,
but a Fleet Ready in Case it is
Needed.

The New French Ministry Announces its
Policy to be One of Peace and
Progress.

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BERLIN, Feb. 23.—Diplomatic and ministerial dinners are now the order of the day, and are eagerly discussed as affording indications of personal and international relations. Bismarck yesterday gave a dinner to the members of the lower house of the Prussian diet, and during the serving of coffee complained of the heavy labors created for him by what he termed the so-called colonies. He ascribed the blame for no small portion of his difficulties to the action of colonial officials who, he said, frequently acted without requisite knowledge of the circumstances and especially did not know how to treat the natives. It was impossible, the chancellor said, to allow trivial disputes to introduce any discordant element in Germany's relations with great friendly powers, as the slightest disturbance of harmony prevailing between the imperial government and foreign states might have the most prejudicial effects upon German commercial and business relations. Bismarck is said to have been greatly annoyed at the consul's proposals to annex Samoa. The *Vossische Zeitung's* question as to what would be thought of a consul who telegraphs a proposal to annex Zurich or Luxembourg, is believed to be identical with the opinion of the chancellor. In explanation of the reported ordering of a German squadron to Samoa, the national *Zeitung* observes that the impending punishment of Matsaia will have no effect upon Germany's relations with England and America, the right of Germany to intervene in the matter not being contested in any quarter. The report must, however, be received with reserve. The squadron is provisionally ordered to Port Said in order, probably, to be in readiness to proceed to east Africa or to await development of affairs. It may at least be assumed that a squadron will go to Samoa in the event of the American government proving exacting or unreasonable. Bismarck's desire to avoid colonial trouble is due in a large measure to the uncertainty of European politics, especially those of France.

The North German Gazette and other leading German papers predict the overthrow of the Tirard cabinet within a few weeks. Bismarck is of the opinion that the crisis will result in the ascension to power of Gen. Boulanger and it is well known that there are few persons who do not regard his triumph as a near probability.

The emperor is far from being free from painful earaches. Recent changes in the weather give him much trouble, and he is obliged sometimes to have recourse to morphine in order to obtain a few hours of sleep. He will honor by his presence Count Von Achenbach's farewell dinner as minister of war, on the 27th inst.

The police find the utmost difficulty in preventing the entry into the country of socialist literature. Recent changes in the past week numerous domiciliary visits have been made to chiefs of the socialist party and the searchers discovered a quantity of pamphlets, etc., ready for distribution intended to influence voters in favor of the socialist candidates.

The king of Wurtemberg is suffering from a severe catarrhal attack.

A Policy of Peace.

PARIS, Feb. 23.—The ministerial declaration was read in the senate and chamber of deputies to-day. It says: "In responding to the president's appeal we have not hid from ourselves the difficulties of the hour and are sustained by the thought you will not refuse to co-operate with men representing themselves to you determined to accomplish the duty required by the situation. Our great task will be to secure the adoption of the budget of 1890 and to assure, by a broad, tolerant and wise policy, the success of the exhibition which will show, in industrial and pacific France, all the people's industry and work. We hope you will satisfactorily conclude other important measures, such as the military laws, the discussion of which has commenced. We consider that the government's principal duty is to prepare for all republicans and all Frenchmen loving order and liberty the ground for common, energetic and decisive action with a view to defend and strengthen the rule of peace, justice and progress which France is founding for the people desired to give itself. The success of our policy depends upon our firmness and vigilance, on which you may rely. While deciding to cover with our responsibility officials devoted to their duties, we shall severely judge their faults and shortcomings. We consider it our imperative duty to resolutely take all measures necessary to maintain order and respect for the republic by contracting, or if necessary repressing, factious enterprises." The declaration was received with cheers by members of the centre.

Rouvier has announced the ministry has accepted its predecessor's budget, and that a committee will be appointed Tuesday.

The Duke Returns.

VIENNA, Feb. 23.—Archduke John, who some time ago abruptly took his departure from Austria, will shortly resume service in the army. The archduke, who is 36 years old, and a distant cousin of Emperor Francis Joseph, had to leave Austria in consequence of a direct order from the emperor. According to some rumors at that time, the archduke had a serious quarrel with Crown Prince Rudolph.

Would Not Lower the Flag.

LONDON, Feb. 23.—The report that a French cruiser had bombarded Sagallo, where a Cosack expedition under Atchinnoff had settled temporarily, killing or wounding five of the expedition and capturing the remainder, is confirmed. The bombardment was the result of the refusal of M. Atchinnoff to lower the Russian flag which he had hoisted at Sagallo.

THE BELMONT ACCIDENT.

Particulars of the Sad Affair in Which Two Children Lost Their Lives.

MARYSVILLE, Feb. 23.—[Special to the Independent.]—Two of the unfortunate children burned at Belmont on Thursday last, are dead. The third was living at 10 o'clock last night, and though more seriously injured than at first supposed, was gaining ground and some hopes are entertained of her final recovery.

The particulars of the sad affair as gathered from near neighbors are as follows: Mrs. Calahan was the mother of three children—two boys and one girl—the eldest, a boy four years old, the youngest one year old. Finding it necessary to have something for dinner, Mrs. Calahan left the little ones in the house alone. She had no one to leave with them, and they were too little to take along with her as it was nearly a mile to Marysville, the place of general supply. She had often left them to go on similar errands, at first asking a neighbor to look after them, but as they seemed to be quiet and orderly in her absence, she came to feel that they were safe, at least for a short period. After she had left the house on Thursday morning—as the oldest boy told the story before his death—he locked the door and began to play with kiddy—in his own words, "to set kiddy afire." The kiddy blazed up, and running under the sofa set it on fire. The two boys were fatally burned. The girl escaped the fire by running under the bed, but almost perished by suffocation.

These are briefly the particulars of the most pitiful incident that has ever saddened the camps of Belmont and Marysville. The stricken parents are almost frantic with grief and it is feared the mother will lose her reason.

The funeral of the two deceased children will take place to-morrow, Sunday.

THE WEATHER.

Temperature Yesterday at Helena and at Various Other Points in the Northwest.

The temperature in Helena yesterday, as shown by R. S. Hale & Co.'s Yale College observatory thermometer, was as follows: 7 a. m., 6 below; noon, 5 above; 6 p. m., 3 above; 10 p. m., 2 below.

Dispatches to the INDEPENDENT last evening show the following conditions at the points named at 6 o'clock:

Phillipsburg—Cloudy, calm, 15 below.
Anaconda—Cloudy, calm, 10 above.
Butte—Cloudy, calm, 22 above.
Deer Lodge—Cloudy and mild, 5 above.
Marysville—Clear, calm, 6 above.
Great Falls—Clear and calm, 10 above.
Fort Shaw—Clear and calm, 10 above.
Fort Benton—Cloudy, calm, 6 above.
Fort Assiniboine—Cloudy, calm, zero.
Battle Creek, N. W. T.—Clear, calm, 8 below.

The Week's Record.

Below is given the maximum and minimum temperature, direction and velocity of the wind the precipitation for the past week, at Helena, as furnished by Sergeant C. E. Butler, of the United States signal service:

	Temp.	Wind.	Precip.
	Max.	Min.	
Sunday	30	20	0.00
Monday	31	7	0.00
Tuesday	36	20	0.01
Wednesday	36	21	0.00
Thursday	37	21	0.00
Friday	37	21	0.00
Saturday	37	21	0.00

* Below. † Melted snow.

The Cold Wave.

CHICAGO, Feb. 23.—The weather all over the northwest continues very cold. In northern Iowa it ranges from 10 to 15 below. Near Loup City, Neb., two persons have been frozen to death. In the upper peninsula of Michigan the storm is very severe, the wind blowing at the rate of fifty miles an hour, with the temperature 25 to 35 below. Railroads are blocked. The thermometer marked 11 below in Chicago this morning.

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 23.—The weather throughout Manitoba is from 15 to 40 below. At Minnedota, N. W. T., it is 52 below.

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—To-day was the coldest of the season in this city, the temperature ranging from 20 to 40 below.

TORONTO, Feb. 23.—The weather is very cold throughout Canada, in the Ottawa district being 35 below.

Gould's Scheme.

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—It is said that Jay Gould is still confident of being able to bring about an agreement among the western roads on the plan outlined by the president. It is understood to be his scheme to whip in those who have not signed. Whenever there is a cut by one of the outside roads, those belonging to the association will designate one of their number to meet the cut, the others to continue at the old rate, and bear the proportionate share of the expense till the outsider is tired and willing to come in.

Egan Can Explain Pigott's Tricks.

LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 23.—Patrick Egan is willing to produce the original letters upon which Pigott's forgeries were manufactured. Egan thinks he can accompany the documents with an explanation of how the forgeries were made.

As showing the feeling among Irish nationalists in Ireland, the following cable from Michael Davitt to Patrick Egan, of this city was received to-day:

"To Patrick Egan, Lincoln—Victory now near at hand. Pigott too clever by half."

DAVITT.

The Delano Train Robbery.

DELANO, Cal., Feb. 23.—But two men were concerned in yesterday's train robbery at this point. While one remained on the engine the other made his way to the express car, and by exploding bombs under the car so frightened the express messengers that they speedily opened the doors. The engineer, who was probably fatally wounded, is a deputy sheriff here. The amount secured by the robbers is unknown. A posse is in pursuit from here.

DYNAMITE AND STUDENTS.

A Celebration of Washington's Birthday Which Was Carried to Extremes.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Feb. 23.—Advises from Middletown say a committee including the president and two members of the faculty have been investigating an explosion at Wesleyan university Thursday, and after a hard day's work succeeded in getting at the bottom facts. The hearing was secret and each member of the freshman class was called in and subjected to severe examination. It is learned that two of the men confessed, implicating six or eight others. The faculty refuse to give out any information, but from other sources it is learned that the men who confessed are W. H. Hall and Robt. E. Smith. The names of the others are H. S. Rockaby, Nelson C. Hubbard, C. H. Pierce, W. M. Douglass, R. M. Grant, E. J. Lamblyn and H. P. Quail.

It seems a party had been planned to usher in Washington's birthday by firing a salute with a cannon and afterwards to return to the college grounds and throw bombs into the entries of the various dormitories. One of the bombs was given to Rockaby to explode in observatory hall, another to Smith to explode in the north college, while a third was sent to Hubbard, the man injured. It seems Hubbard, wishing to back out of the scheme, invited several upper class men to spend the evening with him, and after they left his room he bomb was handed to him with instructions to explode it when he heard the reports of the others. It is supposed he became excited and in some way the bomb exploded in his hands before he could throw it.

President Vanieck has conferred with States Attorney Elmer with reference to the criminal prosecution of every one implicated in the affair. Should Hubbard's injuries prove fatal it will undoubtedly be a very serious matter for the young rioters. It was also developed that the dynamite was obtained in New York city from the father of one of the young men implicated. It was sent to Middletown by express. Reports from the hospital to-night show Hubbard is comfortable and the physicians are confident of his recovery.

JESSIE'S JOSH.

Such is the Story of Jessie Stuart About the Anaconda Shooting.

DEER LODGE, Feb. 22.—[Special to the Independent.]—Deputy Sheriff McCarthy brought down from Anaconda yesterday Jessie Stuart, the colored courtesan who shot Belle Watson, another colored member of the demi monde in that city Thursday morning, and Emma Lorn, a witness of the affray. The Stuart woman told your correspondent that "she did not intend to shoot but was only joshing;" that in the early part of the evening she had been up to Belle Watson's house and that they had quarreled. After returning home she began drinking and got "pretty full." About 5 o'clock Belle Watson came in and a quarrel ensued. She went back into a room and picked up a revolver, intending to run a bluff on Belle with it, but that when she came back in the room where Belle was, she (Belle) ran her hand into her bosom, presumably for a weapon, which so frightened her that she involuntarily pressed the trigger of the pistol, and it being self-acting was discharged, the bullet striking Belle in the right breast. She says she does not know how she came to shoot Hays and did not know that she had shot either Hays or the Watson woman until she was arrested by Officer Mitchell in the Palace hotel.

The prisoner contradicted herself in many particulars, but the above is about the substance of her story. She says she used to live in Helena before coming to Anaconda and that her husband keeps a saloon on Clure street. His name is Atkinson. Emma Lorn is in jail and is held as a witness. The Watson woman cannot recover. There are five women in jail here awaiting the action of the grand jury, four of whom are charged with the crime of murder. All of them are from Anaconda.

POST AND CAMP COMBINE.

Rival Organizations of Sons of Veterans Meet on Common Ground.

CHICAGO, Feb. 23.—The consolidation of the rival post system and camp system of the Sons of Veterans was completed here to-day. It was done at a conference between Col. A. L. Conger, of Ohio, Corporal Tanner, of New York, and Gen. Thos. Bennett, of Indiana; also Col. John Burst, of Illinois, and Col. Geo. W. Devlin, of Michigan, representing the Grand Army of the Republic. Geo. W. Marks, of Brooklyn, commander-in-chief of the post system, and G. B. Abbott, of Chicago, commander-in-chief of the camp system and Grand Army men, acted as arbitrators. It was decided the new body shall be known as the camp system, and shall use the fraternal title "Comrade," in place of "Brother." The title of officers shall conform to the usage of the Grand Army of the Republic, except that camps may organize drill corps which, when armed and equipped, may employ strict military titles. Other details are left to the two commanders-in-chief of the consolidated bodies, except that it is provided the membership badge and charter of the camp system shall be used and the insignia and rank of the post system.

Mrs. Leslie Makes a Sale.

CANAZONABIE, N. Y., Feb. 23.—Mrs. Frank Leslie has sold to W. J. Arkell, of Judge, her weekly illustrated paper, both English and German, the transfers to be made May 1. Mrs. Leslie will retain and personally direct her other publications. Arkell refuses to state the price paid. He says the policy of the weekly will remain aggressive and independent. The present force will be retained and new skill added. Arkell said he had been negotiating for these papers for a long time.

Death of Home Waters.

BILLINGS, Feb. 23.—[Special to the Independent.]—Home Waters, brother of Hon. E. C. Waters, died this morning at 11 o'clock, of consumption, after a lingering illness of two or three years. The remains will be transferred to Fond du Lac, Wis., for interment.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 23.—Henry McShane, the widely known bell founder of this city, died this morning at Mount Washington, of heart disease, aged 62 years.

CABINET CRUMBS.

The Wiseacres of Indianapolis Take
Another Course Concerning Gen.
Harrison's Advisers.

Noble to Go in Not as the Representative of the South, but as Harrison's Friend.

Alger Goes Overboard, Windom in Doubt, but Blaine and Wamamaker Said to be Fixtures.

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 23.—There has been but little cabinet gossip here to-day. The only four places that are considered definitely fixed are those of Blaine, Windom, Noble and Wamamaker. There is considerable talk, however, of the probability that the south will yet be given another representative beside Noble. It is alleged that Noble will go in as the personal representative and choice of Gen. Harrison, and the southern representative will be one who has more direct connection with southern affairs, and who will be able to give help in a practical solution of the southern question.

A few days since it was announced Alger was no longer being considered, though Rusk was sure of the war department, but within the past day or two that has been regarded as extremely doubtful owing to the geographical situation. It is thought now that the secretary of agriculture will certainly come from the west, and this tends to cause doubt as to the eligibility of some of those who have been considered certain for other positions. The central western states will have three departments, the interior, treasury and agriculture. The state, postoffice and navy will go to the east, leaving to the south and the Pacific slope the war and justice. Many southern republicans who have been here have urged that the south be given the department of justice, as it is to that department they look more than any other for the recovery of their rights. This would make the appointment of Judge Speer not improbable. By others it is thought the navy instead of the war will be assigned either to the south or the Pacific slope.

TROUBLE FOR HARRISON.

The Civil Service Reformers Want to Take Him Under Their Wing.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 23.—One of the largest gatherings of civil service reformers ever held met to-day in this city under the auspices of the Civil Service Reform association of Maryland. Among those present were Hon. Dorman B. Eaton and Hon. Theodore Roosevelt. Resolutions were passed expressing the confidence of the association in President-elect Harrison and his professions of friendship for the principles of civil service reform. In the evening Richard H. Dana, editor of the *Civil Service Record*, sought to show by statistics that the percentage of removals during Cleveland's term of office has been greater than that under any administration since 1880, but claimed that Cleveland was favorable to reform and would live in history as the one who made civil service reform a good second to party experience. Judge W. D. Foultz, of Indiana, quoted from the platform of the republicans and from Harrison's letter of acceptance and argued from them that civil service reform would under a republican administration be extended to all branches of public service within the rules and reform principles applied to all places not included in the law.

TO BE REORGANIZED.

Another Missouri Pacific Official Retires—Manager Clark's Future.

CHICAGO, Feb. 23.—It leaked out to-day that W. H. Newman, third vice president of the Missouri Pacific railway, had tendered his resignation, to take effect in April. No reason is given for Newman's retirement, but when considered in connection with the resignation of Second Vice President A. L. Hopkins, and the changes that are promised in the board of directors, it seems to lend color to the rumor that a complete reorganization of the Missouri Pacific company is about to occur. It has recently been reported that S. H. A. Clark, vice president and general manager, would retire very soon, but this is now believed to be a mistake. On the contrary those who profess to know something of the relations existing between Mr. Clark and Jay Gould venture the opinion that the former will be made president of the company, Gould retiring.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

The New York banks now hold \$15,740,000 in excess of legal requirements.

Natural gas in the new waterwork tunnel of Cleveland, O., exploded yesterday, seriously burning eight men.

The body of Edward Boyle was found in the ruins of the Park Central hotel, Hartford, yesterday. This makes the twenty-third victim.

A dispatch from Berlin says: The statement that four German ironclads at Genoa have been ordered immediately to sail for Samoa is officially confirmed.

Much anxiety is felt at Zanzibar regarding the fate of the missionaries recently captured by insurgents. No news has been received from them since they were taken prisoners.

Bad Times in China.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 22.—A China steamer brings news of a great storm in Chee Foo. Over a million and a half people are starving, and riots occur daily. Missionaries have been attacked by mobs. Feb. 2 a great fire broke out at Shidnoki, Japan, destroying 1,000 houses, including schools, temples and hospitals. The following day 500 houses burned at Yokosuka and three persons, were burned to death. The same day ten houses burned at Jashu, and fifteen at Tokio.

To Look For Stanley.

ZANZIBAR, Feb. 23.—Stevens, who is going on a mission to the interior of Africa for the New York World, has arrived here.